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In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98 and supplemental to the Information Disclosure Statement that was previously filed on September 14, 2006, Applicants hereby bring to the attention of the Examiner the following documents:

- (1) Japanese Patent Publication No. JP 2003-248180 A, together with an English language Abstract of the same, and patent family member U.S. Patent No. 6,965,710;
- (2) Japanese Patent Publication No. JP 56-107201 A, together with an English language Abstract of the same; and
- (3) Japanese Patent Publication No. JP 2003-195012 A, together with an English language Abstract of the same, and patent family member U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2003/0081897.


Further to 37 C.F.R. §1.98 (a)(2)(ii), copies of the U.S. patent publications are not enclosed herewith. However, if any copy is needed, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the above material and cite the same. Copies of the above-noted foreign documents are attached hereto, and all of the documents are listed on an attached Form PTO-1449. The Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached Form, and to return a copy of the completed Form to Applicants with the next official communication in the present application.

Applicants note that an Office Action on the merits has not issued in the present application, and thus, no fee is believed necessary to ensure consideration of the submitted material.

Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

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	English Language Abstract of JP 2003-248180.
	English Language Abstract of JP 56-107201.
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